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Dear Sonny:

I guess you are wondering what this private note on the envelope means. Well there was something I wanted to say to you alone. I wish I had your home address I could have written you there.

First of all I read in Poseys column we were to meet Jan. 23rd in Phila. Is this correct? Have there been announcements sent out? If so we have not received one.

Now the thing I wanted to say to you is this. Posey wrote me some time ago suggesting that Attourney Houstin of Washington would be a good man for us. Well I see where him and another Houstin and Jud ge Hastie, (the man I tried to get you all to accept for baseball Commissioner, with no salary, who is now on President Roosevelts war cabinet), all three of these men have a law firm. It is called Houstin Houstin and Hastie. If we could arrange to meet in Washington I think it would be a grand idea. It might be possible we could get right to Houstin or the whole firm, and get some of our problems straightened out. We might be able to get some little idea of what to expect about the gas situation etc. Unless you folks know of some plans that have been made t that I dont know, we will certainly have to try and do some things if we plan to operate. Then too Washington was our biggest baseball town last year. We should meet there just on general principals. I know the housing situation is terrible, but I am sure we all know some one we could bunk with for a night or two.

Please let me know what you think of this idea. Now the most important of all, please don't tell anyone it is my suggestion. It would have two strikes on it before it started. If you think it is a good idea get it over as though you wanted it. That is the reason for the private on the envelope. I don't even want the rest to know I wrote you. If you like the idea you will have to get to work quickly. Maybe Posey should go to Washington a ~~carrier will probably be sure to take it and leave~~ <sup>secretary</sup> ~~and leave~~ <sup>and leave</sup> ~~Phil~~ <sup>Houston</sup> but if it will be the best thing to do we should insist. Maybe the middle of the week would be better. Hope you and wife are well, and enjoyed the holidays.

Very Truly Yours